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HARVEST BEGAN IN FORD COUNTY THIS WEEK WITH A GRAND RUSH

Eleven Days Later Than the Beginning of Harvest Here Last Year—Many Heavy Yields, and in Nearly Every Locality in the County.

FOURTEEN HUNDRED CARS

Now in Readiness on this Division of the Santa Fe for Moving the 1909 Crop.

Harvest is now in full force in Ford county, and while it began eleven days later than last year, it is a great harvest. The Santa Fe company has side tracked 1400 box cars at Dodge City and other sidings between here and Newton to make the start with in hauling the 1909 wheat crop to market, so that they are prepared to make the first trip if necessary with over a million bushels. This division is now considered the first to look after on the Santa Fe as it touches seven of the great wheat counties. The company believes that they have cars enough to avoid any car famine this year, notwithstanding the great crop there is to move.

A few were harvesting in Ford county last week but most of the wheat raisers began Monday of the present week. More harvest hands are needed in Ford county, and some of the wheat raisers have made trips out into other counties to bring in hands. From every report that has come in this week, the estimate made by this paper last week of the Ford county crop at 2,000,000 bushels is not too high. There are so many large fields that will go to 20 and 30 bushels, and even higher that the average will be higher than most people have estimated.

Carey Orebaugh has 200 acres of wheat west of Soud College that is estimated at 20 bushels to the acre. It was raised on sod and the berry is plump and particularly clean, in every way a high grade wheat. Harvest began in Orebaugh's field last Monday and he expects to be threshing next week. He has 250 acres of wheat near the same place on old ground. Where the land was well plowed the yield will be better than on the sod ground. A part of it was not well put in, and it will have a lighter yield. Mr. Orebaugh says that old ground here is better than new for wheat if crops are put in right. He will have between 5,000 and 6,000 bushels of wheat this year.

One of the fine fields of wheat near town belongs to Joe Kliesen, who lives on what used to be known as the Hoover place north of town. Mr. Kliesen has a 400 acre field that looks like it would go 25 bushels to the acre, which would make 10,000 bushels for that field. Harvest began in this field Monday. Mr. Kliesen came here from Ellinwood a few years ago. The place he lives on was sold by Mr. Hoover to Chas. Mellis. Mr. Hoover got what seemed like a good price at the time, but the land was soon turned by Mr. Mellis at a good advance. Mr. Kliesen, who bought it last, has farmed it and a lot of land adjoining, and will make more out of the land than the others who handled it for speculation.

Mr. Massey, who came here this year from Pawnee county is going to take a prominent place among the wheat raisers in the vicinity of Dodge City. Mr. Massey has bought six quarter sections of land from Lohrding & Groniger and has a steam plow at work breaking soil. He has now nearly a thousand acre farm and expects to buy some more land to add to it.

Frank Bissett from Edwards county recently bought three quarter sections of land near Ford of P. H. Young of Dodge City, paying \$14,500 for it, and he is going into the wheat business on a large scale. He has another quarter near the Young land. Six years ago Mr. Bissett worked for G. L. Painter here in Dodge City for a time. He has made most of his money since that time. He began in Edwards county on a rented farm, later buying a quarter section there. He has made a lot of money raising wheat, and is one of the pushing thorough kind of farmers that we need in Ford county. When he hitches up a farm team he has no use for less than six horses. He is a young man and started farming because he thought it the most profitable thing he could do. He has a good education and was county su-

perintendent of Edwards county for one term.

One of the fields of wheat which has been spoken of as among the best in the county, is a 200 acre field owned by Wm. Perkins southwest of Spearville. A while back it was estimated that this field would yield 35 bushels to the acre, and after that report was heard here there was another rain in that locality, so that the estimate is not likely to be too high.

Eight hundred acres in one field a splendid yield and the entire field standing even, is a sight on the S. H. Ward ranch, twelve miles southeast of town that will not be forgotten soon by any one who has seen it. This field is a part of about 1100 acres that Mr. Ward has, or those to whom the land has been rented. It has been estimated that there will be about 25,000 bushels of wheat threshed on the Ward place this year. They began harvesting last week. Mr. Ward recently shipped out some extra mule teams and a lot of large wagons for hauling away the wheat. The Ward ranch was formerly known as the Lord ranch. Mr. Ward is a Leavenworth county man, and still has his home between Tonganoxie and Leavenworth, but he has become so much interested in his Ford county investments that he is about as much at home here now as in Leavenworth county. He is planning to have 1,500 acres in wheat the coming season, and thinks that he can beat the \$25,000 crop he has this year.

J. H. Brown, of Bloom township has 1000 acres of wheat this season. Mr. Brown bought a section and a half of land in Bloom in 1907 and broke out a part of it for wheat in 1908. His crop sold for enough to pay for the land last year, and this year he is in the wheat business bigger than before.

Wilburn township has some of the big wheat raisers, and it also has some fine prospects for big crops this year. Among the big wheat growers in Wilburn are the Rooney Brothers, who have 1100 acres this year, and Frank Crouch who has 750 acres.

It is reported that Bob Frazier of Ford township has a fine crop of wheat this season. Mr. Frazier has 800 acres which is said to be a good yield, a lay out that ought to put him on Easy street for some time to come.

One of the large wheat farms is the Eugene Taylor farm, where there are in the neighborhood of fifteen quarter sections, and the greater part in cultivation. It is said that there is a lot of good wheat on this land. Brown & Vernon have one field south of town that they think will make thirty bushels to the acre. Harry Bragg expects to get twenty bushels

to the acre. Peter Sharpf has a fine field that will make a good yield. There are strips in some localities where the wheat is light. Close to the light fields often, may be seen a good heavy field of wheat. The difference seems to be in the method of farming. It is, of course, a difficult matter to give any close estimate on the average in the entire county. The grain seems to be large, plump and very heavy, the kind of wheat that may be expected to weight out more than one would expect from seeing the crop standing in the field.

RAISING PRIZE WINNERS

Two Big Ford County Ranches That Are Better Known Away From Home Than They Are Here.

There are two stock ranches in Ford county that are perhaps better known in Kansas City than they are here at home, because little has been said about them here, while car load lots of fat Aberdeen Angus steers from these ranches have frequently carried off the prizes at the American Stock shows at Kansas City, and brought high prices on the market there for fancy beef. "The Yuccas" ranch, established a few years ago by J. G. Breakey, is one of the large ranches of the county; but it has not been extensively improved yet. Mr. Breakey keeps his herd of Aberdeen Angus up to the number of 300 or more, not all thoroughbreds, but those that are not thoroughbred are high grade, and easy winners in a beef show. The "Diamond Park" ranch, owned by W. B. Warner, is an older established ranch with fine improvements, and has a herd of 500 and upwards of Aberdeen Angus cattle. Mr. Warner has been pulling in prizes at the big stock shows at Kansas City. There are extensive improvements, including a sixteen room residence on the ranch and a fine grove. The grove is what was originally a timber claim which was taken by Geo. M. Hoover, of Dodge City, and planted to trees. These two ranches in the north-east part of Ford county have given the county some good advertising away from home. While little has been heard of them here at home they are among the important fine stock ranches of Western Kansas.

ANOTHER NICE SHOWER.

Corn Crop At Present Is The Finest Ever Seen In The County, And The Shower Will Help.

There was a nice shower of rain here last night. It was not ordered, because harvest is on and the wheat growers would prefer dry weather for the next week. The weather observer here reports a fall of .82 of an inch last night, which is enough to keep the corn popping, and if the showers continue through July, Ford county will have a great corn crop. In most parts of the county, it is said, the fields have been well tended and are free from weeds.

Christian Church

The Sunday school and morning church service will be held as usual. The C. E. will render a patriotic program in the evening at 7:30. The evening church service will begin at 8:15. This too will be patriotic both in the songs and the address. If the weather is hot the evening services will be held on the parsonage lawn.

Firecrackers. All new stock; none of it carried over from last year. Get them at Sturgeon's.

FORD COUNTY WEALTH

The wealth produced in Ford county for 1909 will be something like this: 2,000,000 bushels wheat, 1,000,000 corn, 200,000 bushels oats, good yield from 12,000 acres barley, big yield from 684 acres potatoes, two and three crops from 7,000 acres alfalfa, 22,261 acres kafir corn and cane, 520 acres of rye, from sale of cream \$40,000, butter \$25,000, Milk, \$10,000, poultry and Eggs \$60,000, cattle fattened and sold \$200,000, hogs \$25,000, and a large amount in horses, stock cattle, and various things not enumerated above.

THE GLOBE

ANDERSON & ERHARD
CLOTHIERS

Sailor Hats
\$1 to \$3

Panama
Hat
\$5 to \$7.50

Negligee Shirts

It is now time for summer shirts and we are ready with the finest showing ever brought to town. Counter after counter, box after box of Negligee Shirts. All kinds to fit all shapes of men. No Negligee shirt that is worth the having can be bought for less than our lowest price, 50c. No Negligee Shirt can be found anywhere better than our best at \$3.00. There are many new styles out for spring and summer wear and you find them all here.

The Next Time

You need a white shirt buy it here. We want every man in town to try our white shirts. If they do, why we will sell all the shirts, that's all there is about it. We know we have the best shirts for the money on the market. We tried to get them, and we got them muslin stronger, linen better, fit better than any other shirts. We know it. Prices of the different grades are \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00

Automobile
Dusters, \$1.50, \$2.50

Full Dress Shirts

Some men dread to put on evening dress because the shirts are not right. Not so with our kind. Try them and see. All styles. Just a trial of our shirts, that's all we ask.

Light weight Lisle Hose all colors, a regular 25c sock, two pair 25c.

Summer Underwear, eleven kinds, all prices

THE GLOBE

WILL OWN PLANT

Council And Mayor Want To Buy Or Build Water Works System.

FIGURING ON PRICE TODAY

May Buy Everything But Power Plant And, Company Furnish Power.

At a special called meeting of the city council last Monday evening, a motion to submit a bond proposition to the voters of Dodge City, for building or buying a waterworks system was made. There was a second to the motion, and a discussion followed.

At least six out of the eight councilmen seemed to favor passing a resolution that it was the sense of the council that the city should own and operate its own plant. Dr. Milton contended that as the council had employed a civil engineer for the purpose of obtaining figures on the value of the present plant, the cost of operating it, the needed improvements etc., intending to take up the matter of rates with the present company, that the council should first submit a proposition to Mr. Theis, and give him a chance to accept a ten year contract at a figure that would be satisfactory to the people here. In a letter received from Mr. Theis, and which had been read at the opening of the meeting Monday night, Mr. Theis stated that with the other lines of business they were operating here, his company could furnish water service at a lower rate than the city with a plant of its own.

Dr. Milton took the figures of the council's engineer, showing that the present plant, with the improvements necessary to furnish a sufficient water supply, would represent an investment of about \$40,000 or between that and \$50,000. Dr. Milton wanted to figure out a schedule of rates on this basis, and submit a proposition to the company.

His argument was that if the city could secure a good water service on a basis of \$40,000, by making a short time contract with the present company, it would be a better business move than to spend from \$85,000 to \$100,000 on a city plant, and have to make prices to the people on that basis. Dr. Milton seemed to have a hopeless undertaking on his hands, but he made a great single-handed fight, and won a two weeks "stay of execution." Mr. Kirkpatrick, who was present, and who is well known as favoring municipal ownership, made a short talk, stating that he believed under the circumstances it would be advisable to not hurry the matter for a week or two. Just as it appeared that a vote would be taken within a few seconds, the matter took a turn, and the council all agreed to postpone the vote until the next regular meeting, July 7, and in the meantime to put a proposition up to Mr. Theis as the final one that the council would consider, giving him ten days in which to act upon it. The council adjourned until Tuesday night when they were to meet to arrange a schedule of rates and requirements to submit to Mr. Theis. The electric

lights were off when the council met, and an adjournment to last night was taken.

Last night's meeting was for the purpose of fixing up a schedule of rates, to see if the present water company could furnish water cheaper than a municipal plant could afford to. The council however at this meeting did not get to that point, and in the end, Mr. Theis, who was present, stated that from the expression of some of the councilmen it did not appear to him that the council would make a contract on any rates that the company could stand, and that in his opinion the proposition that they could come the nearest getting together on would be the purchase of the plant. Mr. Theis was to take the report of the council's engineer, look it over and determine whether or not he would be willing to base the valuation of the water mains, pipes, etc., on that report, so as to be ready to talk to the council at a meeting to be held at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Plans for Sale or Rent—Apply to Miss Grace Whitworth.

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Special Offer to the Young People of Central and Western Kansas.

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Offer to the young people of Central and Western Kansas, Five Months' Work, including Board, Room, Books, Tuition and Railroad Fare, for \$100.

This is one of the best schools in the State and the cost is about one-half the usual price.

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For Particulars Address

W. F. WILLIAMS,

Nickerson, Kansas